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Third Graders Learn About Postoffice

When third grade pupils at Torrance elementary school decided they would like to know how the post office is run they promptly called in William M. Everett, veteran Torrance postal employee, and found out.

Everett explained that "every one"—almost—owns the post-office, particularly the mothers and fathers who pay federal taxes, and that if they want to be good citizens they should respect public property and not do anything to destroy it.

The pupils then constructed a model postoffice and learned the importance of knowing weights and money exchange in order to be postal clerk. Charles Williams then wrote a story about the postoffice operation.

Third graders and their teacher, Mrs. Gertrude Powell, got Mr. Everett to promise to return again, at the invitation of his grandson, Larry Everett, who is one of the pupils.

Preview Showing of Pine Knolls on Weekend Due

Preview opening of the \$550,000 Pine Knolls duplex development on Torrance boulevard is being held this weekend, according to announcement by Mark Taper, president of Biltmore Homes, developers.

Delayed a week because inclement weather held up construction progress, the opening event features thirty-four two-family buildings occupying a corner of Crenshaw boulevard and Matipoca street.

The duplexes, ranging in value from \$15,300 to \$15,800, each contain two 2-bedroom units, with living room, dinette, kitchen, bath, service porch, and garage. Under combined FHA-GI terms, the duplexes may be purchased by veterans without cash down payment, other than approximately \$225 in escrow costs and impounds, Taper explained. Low monthly payments and 4 per cent interest on balance of principal are stressed.

Architect R. S. Loring and Civil Engineer W. G. Chandler prepared the plans for the Pine Knolls project, which include sewers, sidewalks, concrete curbs and gutters and dedicated park plot of its own.

The Biltmore Homes firm has a record of more than \$38,000,000 in residential construction. Its latest development, the \$2,000,000 Crenshaw Crest community in Torrance, has been completely sold out and now is virtually 100 per cent occupied, it was stated.

Parents Seek to Continue Child Centers

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To call attention to the fact the Torrance Child Care Centers will close in June unless the state legislature elects to continue the centers, the Parents Association will hold an open house at the Nursery on Friday evening, Feb. 18.

The two centers, the Nursery and the Extended Day Care were organized by the Federal Government as a war-time measure, but since the end of the war the activity has come under the jurisdiction of the state, according to Mrs. B. Bundy, chairman of the Parents Association.

"Unless our state congressmen can be convinced of the urgent need for their continuation, the Child Care Center in Torrance will close June 30," Mrs. Bundy said.

The association of parents is urging many organizations within the city to write to state officials requesting them to continue the centers.

The program is administered by the State Board of Education and financed by state funds and by fees paid by the parents of the children enrolled.

Open house will be held in the Nursery tomorrow night from 7-9 p. m. at 2001 Martina avenue.

A sign in a bank reads: "The worst place in the world to live is just beyond your income."

'Worth' Woodburn Services Held at 'Wee Kirk'

Funeral services for Worthington Laird Woodburn, 51, owner of Woodburn's Market at 1645 Arlington avenue and a long-time resident of the city, were held at the Wee Kirk of the Heather in Forest Lawn Memorial Park Monday morning at 9 a. m.

Woodburn, a resident of Torrance since 1923, died in a local hospital last Thursday.

The native of Cincinnati, Iowa, is survived by his wife, Nettie, 2066 Carson street. Also surviving are: two sons, James and Worthington Laird, Jr.; his mother, Jeanett Woodburn of Glendale; a sister, Eileen of Glendale; and two brothers, Ian of Santa Monica and Wilson B. of Sacramento.

Stone and Myers was in charge of funeral arrangements.

INJURED

At Harbor General Hospital today with head injuries is LeRoy Lloyd, 63, of 1608 220th St., who was struck by an auto while crossing Cabrillo avenue south of Gramercy ave. about 7:30 p. m. Saturday. Driver of the car was James F. Blucher, 20, of 5246 E. Florence Blvd., Bell.

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OBITUARY

WILLIAM GEORGE BOON
 William George Boon, father of Mrs. Earl Robinette of this city, passed away Feb. 8 at his home in Los Angeles at the age of 87. Mr. Boon was born in England and came to this country as a young man, settling in Topeka, Kansas. He had been a resident of Los Angeles for the past 26 years. Funeral services were held Saturday in Chichester Chapel of Immanuel Presbyterian Church. Besides Mrs. Robinette, he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. A. N. Anderson and Miss Dora Ellen Boon, of Los Angeles; and sons, William Charles Boon and Arthur Boon, of Topeka; ten grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

WILLIAM JOHN SELDON
 William John Seldon, 53, died last Friday at his home, 1606 Gramercy avenue. With his wife, he had arrived here recently from Indiana and subsequently took over management of Gramercy Apartments, where the family made their home. Mr. Seldon is survived by his widow, LaVell, of the home address; a sister, Mrs. William Shay, Detroit; a brother, George Seldon, Windsor, Ont., Can.; his mother, Mrs. Ida Kribbs, of the Gramercy avenue address; and sister-in-law, Lucille Seldon, of Marion, Indiana. His remains were shipped to the Indiana city for services and burial.

MRS. EDITH WEISS
 Death came Saturday to Mrs. Edith Weiss, 79 at her home, 716 Border avenue, following a lengthy illness. A native of Toledo, Ohio, she has made her home here for 28 years. Rev. Clyde E. Ruckman, pastor of Methodist Church, officiated at the services held Monday afternoon in Stone & Myers Chapel. Attending were many of the Rotarians and Torrance club women for whose dinners and luncheons "Mother" Weiss, as she was affectionately known to them, had catered for many years. Private inurnment followed at Pacific Crest Mausoleum. Survivors include her daughter, Mrs. J. W. MacMillan, of Pasadena and formerly of Torrance; a son, Arthur Weiss, El Monte; four grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

JOHN B. WENER
 John B. Wener, 61, of 14700 S. Western avenue, died Saturday morning of a heart attack during a visit at the Wilmington home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Gloria Johnson. Recently retired, for 45 years he engaged in Gardening and fly culture here. Funeral services were arranged by Cartwright Funeral Home, Wilmington. Mrs. Wener (Alice Wods) who preceded her husband in death, was a daughter of a pioneer Wilmington mortician.

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